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PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Applicants hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the outstanding NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED mailed May 5, 2004 with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the time for response from July 5, 2004 to September 5, 2004.

Applicant notes that inasmuch as September 5, 2004 falls on a Sunday, and September 6, 2004 falls on a national holiday, the response is actually due on September 7, 2004.

A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee. This petition fee has been calculated on the basis of a Small Entity status.

In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

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